## **Breakfast Meeting Minutes**

January 29, 2014 Supreme Court, Concord NH

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 9:08 a.m. with Governor Hassan and Councilors Pappas, Pignatelli, Sununu, and Van Ostern present.

Governor Hassan reviewed the Pre-Meeting Ceremonial Items:

- Pledge lead by Councilor Pignatelli
- Music by Symphony New Hampshire Concertmaster, Elliott Markow. Introduced by Eric Valliere: Executive Director of Symphony New Hampshire.

The Executive Council on a motion by Councilor Pignatelli, seconded by Councilor Van Ostern, voted 4-0 to accept the minutes of the Breakfast Meeting of January 15, 2014.

Commissioner Toumpas spoke to DHHS Division of Public Health Services' proposed amendment to Item #35A. The amendment reads as follows, "Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health Services, to enter into agreements with vendors for an amount not to exceed \$900,000 to provide family planning services effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015." The amendment reflects the intent of HB 2 (2013), to pay for services that began July 1, 2013. If the original item went through G&C approval, without amendment, DHHS could not reimburse for services that were granted from July 1, 2013

Councilor Van Ostern asked about the severability of agency items for voting purposes. Attorney General Foster and Commissioner Hodgdon responded saying that DOJ and DAS are continuing to look at ways to address the issue, for example having agencies provide separate exhibits when grants are bundled within one item. Additional information will follow.

Councilor Sununu asked if personnel reclass requests and salary increases brought forward together can be severed. Commissioner Hodgdon responded that DAS recently brought forward a unified item for reclass requests in an effort to catch up after the salary freeze.

Governor Hassan will host the next breakfast meeting on February 12<sup>th</sup> at the Banking Department. The 10:00 a.m. meeting will be at the State House.

There was no other business to come before the Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

The Governor and Council met in non-public session, pursuant to notice under RSA 91-A, following the breakfast meeting for the purpose of discussing an issue involving a public official.